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-MULTIPOINT SYNCHRONOUS CDMA SYSTEMS

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This paper is herewith submitted in response to the office action mailed on 9/15/98 for the above-captioned Rule 1.53(b) continuation application. Please amend the application as set forth below.

In the Claims:

Cancel claim 1 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims.

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-- 20. A synchronous CDMA communications system, comprising:

a plurality of subscriber units (SUs);

at least one radio base unit (RBU) for transmitting a signal comprised of a plurality of first forward channels individual ones of which being intended for receipt by one subscriber unit (SU), and for transmitting at least one second forward channel that is intended for receipt by a plurality of SUs, each of